

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed April 4, 2006, the Examiner rejected claims 5-8 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,581,580 to Lindbom et al.; and indicated that claims 1-4 and 9 are allowed.

By this amendment, Applicants propose canceling claims 5-8 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof. In view of this proposed amendment, the Section 102(b) rejection of claims 5-8 would be moot and should be withdrawn.

Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 be entered by the Examiner. Because the proposed Amendment leaves only allowed claims pending in the application, this Amendment should enable immediate action by the Examiner.

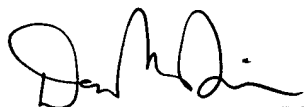
In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants request entry of this Amendment, reconsideration and reexamination of the application, and timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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